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Victoria, B. C., December 27, 1876.

A Novelty in Swindling.

During the last few weeks a perfect novelty in the art of swindling has been brought out in a town in Italy. A very gentlemanly-looking man, accompanied by his daughter, a good-looking young lady of about eighteen summers, alighted at the chief hotel of the town. They gave themselves out to be English, and had, among other luggage, four large boxes, containing two complete sets of drawers, like those used by officers in camp. They chose a salon and two bedrooms, one of which opened into the salon. As soon as they were settled these drawers were unpacked, and one set was placed against the door in the salon, the other on the other side of the door in the gentleman's bedroom, the door in question being (like most of those in continental hotels) very thin. For some time all went on very satisfactorily. The gentleman was not very extravagant, but liberal, and most particular in calling for his bill every week and paying it to the moment. Before he had been many days in the town he paid a visit to the principal jeweller and made some small purchases—in each case paying cash and showing that he was well provided with bank notes. The jeweller was most anxious to press his new customer, and brought out all kinds of beautiful articles to tempt him, but at first his purchases were moderate, though liberally paid for. At the end of a month the gentleman paid a visit alone, and, after making another purchase, observed that his daughter was about to be married, and that he thought of sending to Paris for a set of diamonds. The jeweller could not allow such a chance to slip through his fingers. He had the most beautiful set in Europe, the property of a princess; he was sure that only a "milord" could buy them, and begged his customer just to inspect them. The price was only 400,000 francs. The inspection was made, and "Milord" agreed to take them. The jeweller was delighted. He thought it would be best to ask if he should send them round that evening, but he received a straightforward answer, "I do not keep so much money about me. I must draw upon my bankers in London. I will give you 500 francs to close the business, and the jewels you can deliver against cash in the course of next week."

The deposit was paid and the jeweller satisfied beyond a doubt that he was dealing with a most perfect gentleman. Eight days after he was requested to call the same morning at eleven and bring the diamonds, for which he would be paid. He arrived at the moment and found his customer in his dressing gown, sitting alone at the set of drawers referred to, a front flap of which turned down so as to form a writing desk. The jeweller advanced respectfully, and laid the casket on the flap in question. "Milord" just examined the jewels, remarked that of course he did not wish his daughter to know anything of the transaction at present and then proceeded to take out a large handful of beautiful crisp notes. At that moment the door opened, and in bounded the young lady in question, as the jeweller afterwards said "just like a golden fawn." Nothing was more natural than that "Milord" should close up the flap, and ask the young lady to go away, as he wished to be alone. But she was a spoilt child, and would have her own way. She had to come to tell "papa" that the tailor was waiting for him in the next room and that he must go, and she was quite sure the jeweller would like her company better than his; besides, she had a locket she could not open, and the jeweller must help her. The jeweller was not proof against the playful charms of the young lady; he saw his goods safe, not exactly under his eyes, but next door to it. So he begged her father to go, and he would wait. "Milord" left the room, and the poor dupe enjoyed an hour of delightful flirtation with the young lady. There was something very winning in her ways, and then she was a young bride. The time passed like a dream, and at last the young lady passed off to go and marry her father. The jeweller sat in meditation; his thoughts were at first all engrossed with the sweet girl who had just left.

Then he went and tried the flap of the drawer. It was "all right," it was locked. So he sat down and mused again. After some three hours he began to think that he must be forgotten. So he rang the bell and requested the waiter to just remind "Milord" that he was waiting, but to do it very politely. The waiter replied that "Milord" and the signorita had gone out an hour ago. There was nothing to do but to wait, and wait he did. Neither returned. Table d'hôte passed, and although the poor man began to have a presentiment that something was wrong the landlord was consulted, but was sure that his guest was a real gentleman, but whose only fault was forgetfulness. So again he waited until past the small hours of night. At early morning the landlord again returned, and he also began to think the case suspicious. The jeweller was furious. He made a dash at the drawers, and with the aid of a poker broke open the flap. His next move was to take the casket. He thrust his head into the compartment, and sank back into the armchair. He saw before him nothing but a square open void, leading into the set of drawers in the next room. The landlord did likewise, and so did the waiters. Then they sat and looked at each other, and at last ordered restoratives for the jeweller, who had fainted.—"Vanity Fair."

REV. MR. TOOTH GONE TO GAOL.

The Ridsdale Appeal.

The Rev. Arthur Tooth, the Ritualistic rector of St. James's, Hatcham, is now in Horsemonger-lane Gaol. He sent word to one of the court officers that he was ready to go, and the writ was served on Jan. 22. He was lodged in a room on the debtor's side of the prison, and enjoys the privileges which have usually been accorded to debtors, or to those committed for contempt of court. The Rev. C. J. Ridsdale's appeal against the judgment of the Court of Archbishops, which condemned him for Ritualistic practice in St. Peter's Church, Folkestone, was argued on the next day before the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council. Sixteen lords were present, including the Archbishop of Canterbury. The appeal is practically a re-hearing of the Purchase case, as it involves precisely the same points; but in the former case, as the clergyman did not put in an appearance, no arguments were presented from his point of view. The matter now to be settled is the legality of vestments, wafer bread, the eastward position, and the use of a crucifix lighted by candles on a screen between the nave and chancel. According to Lord Penzance's recent decision, however, Mr. Tooth's case will not be affected by the Ridsdale appeal, inasmuch as the inhibition, which he set at defiance, was based on grounds that are not at issue before the appellate tribunal. The controversy now raging in the Anglican communion is very bitter. Among the latest incidents are the address of the Bishop of Gloucester on clerical rebellion, an address by Scotch Ritualists to Mr. Tooth, the protests of various High Church societies against the action of the Court, and a mass meeting in favor of the disestablishment of the Church.

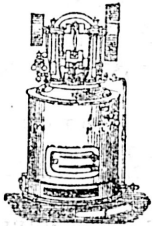
THE RUSSIANS IN SERBIA.—Dr. Studentski, a Russian army surgeon, has addressed a letter from Kraguyevatz to the "Vedomosti" of St. Petersburg on the causes of the unpopularity of the Russian volunteers in Serbia. Before the war broke out, he says, the Serbians knew the Russians but little; they had great respect for the Russian name and looked upon the Russians as their protectors. When the volunteers came they were received like brothers, and every comfort was prepared for them. But the Serbians soon began to dislike their new visitors, and with good reason. The Russian volunteers were seldom sober; they never ceased to run down the Serbian army and its leaders, and to boast of the superiority of Russians; they publicly insulted respectable Serbian women in the streets, and the peaceable citizens of Belgrade were constantly disturbed at night by their drunken orgies. They did not pay their bills at the hotels, and if a landlord asked what was due to him the volunteer usually drew his sword or threatened to blow his brains out. At the coach offices and railway stations, if a conveyance was not ready at once the drivers and guards were beaten by the Russian volunteers. After giving many other instances of outrage and dishonor on the part of the Russian volunteers, Dr. Studentski concludes by stating that "the Serbians are more embittered against the Russians now than ever, especially as the Russians accuse them of ingratitude."

OLD CHOCOLATE is almost a thing of the past. Finlayson's Coffee presides over the present. It has now superseded what used to be claimed as "superior to and other manufactured on this coast," and will soon be found on every well-furnished table in the Province. Prepared at his premises on Fort street, and sold by all the principal dealers.

BANKRUPT STATES.—The states of North Carolina and Tennessee are on the eve of financial bankruptcy. In North Carolina a committee of persons holding state bonds to the amount of \$21,409,383 is urging the Legislature to make a settlement and pay 50 per cent. of its indebtedness. This would impose a tax of 75 cents on the \$100 valuation of property in the state to pay the interest and raise a sinking fund, and a joint committee of the Legislature declare the state cannot endure such taxation. The state and county tax since 1870 has amounted to 60 cents on the \$100 of valuation, and no increase has been borne. In Tennessee the case is a little less bad, but it is probable that the Legislature will agree with the creditors to settle by paying 60 per cent. of the indebtedness. This will leave the debt to be paid \$13,000,000, which the present rate of taxation—four mills, or 40 cents on the \$100 of valuation—will provide for.

DENTISTRY.—Dr. Cool calls attention to the beautiful alluminium-lined vulcanite plates for upper and lower sets. The advantage of this work is that it is very thin, much stronger and lighter than the common plate usually worn; also, being a better conductor of heat and cold, it does not produce the irritation, something caused by rubber or nonconducting substances. I make these sets for \$35, something never done before, and guarantee my patrons that after once wearing one of them they will wear no other. The treatment of diseased teeth and fine operating I make a specialty. Teeth built up with pure gold to their natural contour; artificial crowns adjusted to roots in the best manner. Work of every description done anywhere I engage to do at the most reasonable prices.

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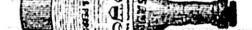
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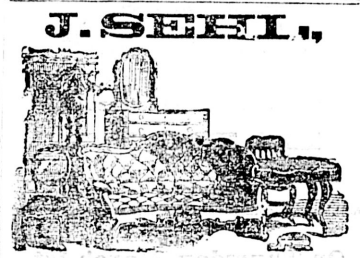
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CLASSES FOR YOUNG LADIES WILL be commenced on Wednesday, the 20th inst., in the house situated on the corner of Kane and Quadra streets, by competent teachers, under the immediate supervision of the Rev. E. Cridge and Mrs. Cridge. A class for boys under 8 years of age will also be formed. For particulars apply to J. A. J. MRS. CRIDGE.

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PROCLAMATION.

[L.S.] A. N. RICHARDS.

CANADA.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

TO OUR FAITHFUL MEMBERS elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia, and summoned and called to a meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at our City of Victoria, on Wednesday, the seventh day of February instant, to have been commenced and held, and every of you-GENTLEMEN.

A PROCLAMATION.

A. C. ELIOTT, J. WHELAN the meeting of

Attorney-General, the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of British Columbia, stands called for Wednesday, the seventh day of February instant, at which time, at our City of Victoria, you were held and continued to appear.

NOW KNOW YE that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our loving subjects, we have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of British Columbia, to revoke any and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid; hereby revoking, and by these presents enjoining you, as each of you, that on Wednesday, the TWENTY-FIRST day of February next, you meet Us in Our said Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at our City of Victoria, FOR THE DEBATE OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act, and SPEAK on those things which in Our Legislation conclude a Province of British Columbia, by the force of the seal of Our said Province may, by the Common Council be ordered.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Public Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed.

Witness the Honourable A. N. RICHARDS, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this twentieth day of January, in the Year of Our Lord one thousand, eight hundred and seventy-seven, and in the fortieth year of Our Reign.

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THE FISHERIES.

Correspondence on the subject of the Canadian fisheries has been laid before the Canadian Parliament. It seems that both the British and Canadian Commissioners have been appointed; but that the United States Government have failed to fulfil their part under the Washington Treaty for the settlement of this important matter by the appointment of a third Commissioner, so that the amount to be paid by the United States Government in compensation to Canada for the free admission of American citizens to the fisheries may be determined. A Minute of the Privy Council of Canada, dated 24th November, 1876, and addressed to the British Government, says that "Although protracted negotiations have occurred between Her Majesty's Government and that of the United States, and the Canadian Government has frequently urged the necessity for disposing of this matter in the way thus solemnly stipulated in an International agreement, there does not appear to have been any practical advance whatever made by the United States Government towards organizing the Commission agreed to at Washington in 1871;—several years have now elapsed during which United States citizens have freely resorted to our inshore, and availed themselves of advantages acquired under these articles without fulfilling the principal condition on which such liberty was accorded. The Committee, therefore, advise that Her Majesty's Government be requested to call the attention of the Government of the United States to the delays that have arisen by the failure of that Government to co-operate in the organization of the Commission and to move the Government of the United States to promptly fulfil the terms of the said Articles of the Treaty of Washington." To this Minute the Earl of Derby replied on the 5th of January last that "Since the rejection of the Reciprocity Treaty by the United States Senate in February, 1875, Her Majesty's Government have not ceased to urge on the Government of the United States the necessity of making immediate arrangements for the proper constitution of the Commission by the appointment of an United States Commissioner and Agent, and by agreement or an identical note to the Austrian Government requesting the appointment of a third Commissioner by the Austrian Ambassador in London, in the manner prescribed by the Treaty. Instructions in this sense have been repeatedly sent to Her Majesty's Minister at Washington, and, at the time when your letter of the 14th ultimo was received, notwithstanding the urgency of Continental affairs, Lord Derby was considering the form of a renewed and serious remonstrance to the United States Government on the subject of the Halifax Commission, and this, when prepared, will at once be despatched to Her Majesty's Minister at Washington." Lord Derby concludes with the hope "that the renewed representations which Sir E. Thornton will be instructed to make may have the effect of removing any obstacles which may at present be raised by the United States Government towards the speedy constitution of the Commission in the manner prescribed by the Treaty of Washington."

A WOOLEN MILL.

A correspondent in this issue throws out some excellent and practical ideas on the subject of the establishment of a woolen mill in the Province. The writer shows that \$208,695 worth of woolen goods passed through our Custom-house for the year ending 30th June, 1876, to which he adds the sum of \$73,043, paid in duties and charges, and he has a total of \$281,738 expended on fabrics, for the production of which we possess abundant and unlimited facilities. The writer sets the wool product of the Province at 130,000 pounds, which is sent out of the Province to be worked up and returned with the addition of foreign manufacturers' and agents' profits and the other charges already specified. If our wool product were worked up in the Province employment would be found for many skilled hands; better prices would be obtained by wool-growers, and the home-manufactured articles would be supplied at rates much lower than at present. The communication is well worthy the attention of local capitalists. Than a woolen mill, we know of no investment where the profits would be larger.

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LAST NIGHT'S DISPATCHES.

CALIFORNIA.
SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 21.—About 8 o'clock this evening a man seated himself on a pile of bricks on East street, drew a pistol, and deliberately shot himself through the body. As he fell bystanders ran up and asked who he was, receiving for a reply, "It's none of your business." The wounded man was taken to the City Prison Hospital, where he gave the name of John Durham, and stated he had just arrived from Vallejo, but refused to assign any cause for the act. Wound undoubtedly fatal.

SANTA ROSA, Feb. 21.—The Guernville branch of the San Francisco and North Pacific Railroad will reach the town of Guernville within the next two days. It is proposed to build a stage road from that place to a point on the coast, distance of about fifteen miles, by which passengers can be put through from the coast via Santa Rosa four hours sooner than by any other route.

EASTERN STATES.
CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—James Hubbard, a real estate operator, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy this morning. Liabilities, \$250,000; assets, \$26,000.

ALVIN B. LANCASTER, a capitalist of this city, was convicted to-day of perjury on three counts. The perjury consists in swearing falsely as to encumbrances on property and value of real estate which he owned.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—The Herald's Washington special, accounting for Tilden's failure, give among other reasons that he was never the real choice of the party. When nominated he never excited the enthusiasm of the best men of the party.

The Oregon developments caused much disgust and annoyance, compelling belief that if not Tilden, men very near his person had been engaged in an intrigue. Oregon investigation covers Tilden's reputation with shame. Tilden's nephew, Col. Pelton, refusing to answer proper questions and causing suspicion by his vulgar mysticism, at last the deciphered telegrams showing up the case filled every decent Democrat with disgust. No one hearing conversation in influential Democratic circles can doubt that Tilden's nomination was a mistake. His fussiness, his propensity to delay what should be done at once, his vice of working by indirect, mysterious and secret means, his constant interference in petty details and apparently insatiable grasp for power and influence. His want of well balanced and steady judgment and increasing belief that he was fighting for his own hand rather than for a party—all these things have thoroughly alienated a great number of Democratic members and senators from him and the regret at their defeat and their irritation at what they believe to be an injustice is not intensified by any sorrow of him. The correspondent proceeds to argue that the tone and the moral standard of the Democrat party is different from and much higher than Tilden's or that of the people who seem most directly and closely to represent him, and that if Hayes is conciliatory towards the south he will win to his support enough southern men to break up the color line in politics, and thus damage the Democratic party, which is now without a leader.

EUROPE.
LONDON, Feb. 21.—The amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England to-day was £50,000.

The rinderpest has made its appearance at Bon and Steyney within the metropolis and again at Hull.

The Tinsal's sugar refinery at Bristol will close down on Saturday in consequence of scarcity of raw material, and the influence of the French bounty system. Two thousands persons will be thrown out of employment.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 21.—The Porte has notified its representatives abroad that the health of the Sultan is perfectly satisfactory, and rumors of impending changes in the Grand Vizierate are unfounded.

VIENNA, Feb. 22.—It is rumored that England has confidentially hinted to various governments that she might change her attitude should Turkey's territorial integrity in Asia be endangered.

DELAYED DISPATCHES.

NEWFOUNDLAND.
ST. JOHN'S, N.F., Feb. 16.—A life buoy marked "Geo. Cromwell" has been picked up in Placentia Bay. The ship doubtless struck on Cape St. Mary's, on the night of the 5th of January, the place where the George Washington was wrecked. The land in the neighborhood is rugged, and affords but little chance of saving life. It is supposed that all hands are lost.

EASTERN STATES.
NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—The Herald's cable from London says the prospective arrival of the body of John O'Mahoney in Ireland has excited the greatest interest in the ranks of the Irish Nationalists. A series of imposing demonstrations will, it is expected, take place. Thousands of Irishmen not sympathizing with the Fenians will join in the processions at Cork and Dublin, to manifest their hostility to the present system of British rule. In illustration, it is stated that the Home-rulers will march with the advanced Nationalists, or, as they are called, Fenians. Cardinal Paul Cullen has been solicited to permit O'Mahoney's body to lie in state in the Catholic Cathedral.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—Rev. Mr. Talmage of Brooklyn Tabernacle yesterday made a sensation by using the following words: All gamblers die poor. You point to John Morrissey. He is not dead yet. I wish he were. The journals to-day denounce Talmage.

WEEKLY BRITISH COLONIST will be ready for mailing this morning. It is the largest newspaper in the Province; is printed on new and beautiful type and is filled with well-selected and carefully-considered articles on topics of interest and value to readers at home and abroad.

The California will leave San Francisco for Portland and the North on the 14th. Will leave Portland for Victoria on the 19th, and Victoria for Wrangell and Sitka on the 23rd inst.

New Advertisements.

In Bankruptcy.

In the Estate of Pierre Claire,
TAKE NOTICE, A DIVIDEND WILL BE paid in the above Estate on the 8th day of March next, at the office of the Registrar Supreme Court, to all persons who shall prove their claims against the said Estate before the said day.
February 23d, 1877.
EDWIN JOHNSON,
Solicitor to the Estate.

Opposition Notice.

Sternwheel Steamer "BEAVER."

To the Miners and Traders of Cassiar.
THE COMMODIOUS AND FAST
AMERICAN STEAMER
BEAVER

Has been refitted and furnished with every regard for the comfort and safety of passengers as well as for stock and freight. Carrying a full supply of life-preservers and small boats as well as fire extinguishers, and complying with the law in every way, will be launched shortly and placed on the Stikine River in full time for the opening of navigation.

Remember, Opposition is the Life of Trade and do not be too hasty in making contracts. fe24

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

CARRYING H. M. MAILS.

THE FIRST-CLASS SIDE-WHEEL S.S.
DAKOTA,

CAPTAIN MORSE.

Will leave Esquimalt & Co's wharf at Esquimalt for San Francisco

On Thursday, March 1st,

At 12 O'CLOCK, NOON.

All Freight and baggage for her must be on the wharf at Victoria by Wednesday Afternoon at 4 o'clock.

For Freight or Passage apply to

ESQUHARDT & CO., Agents.

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NOTICE.

ALL PERSONS ARE WARNED NOT TO attempt to purchase from Mr. William Fisher, late of New Westminster, Merchant, or his Assignees, Messrs. Felix Neufeller and Jacob Hunter Todd, any of the goods purchased by Mr. Fisher from Messrs. Arthur & Co., of Glasgow, Merchants, and which arrived in Victoria in the month of April, 1876, as the same goods have not been paid for and are claimed by Messrs. Arthur & Co.

Dated 21st February, 1877.

J. ROLAND HETT,
Solicitor for Messrs. Arthur & Co.,
Bastion Street, Victoria. fe22

Notice.

IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Real Estate, Personal Property and School Tax, 1876, for the Electoral District of Victoria, is now over due, and all persons or their agents liable for the said Taxes are requested to pay the same forthwith at the Assessor's Office, Government street, Victoria.

R. F. JOHN, Collector. fe21

Notice to Builders.

PARTIES DESIROUS OF TENDERING for certain alterations and additions to the residence of Rodk. Finlayson, Esq., may inspect the plans and specifications at my office, where separate or whole tenders will be received, March 3d, at noon. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

JNO. TEAGUE, Architect.
fe14 Government st., opp. Hook & Ladder House.

DANCING!

THE UNDERSIGNED WILL HOLD his Dancing Class at the

Central Hall, View Street,
Every Tuesday Eve., from 7:30 to 10.
Ladies Admitted Free. Terms Reasonable.

fe24 FRED'K SPOHR.

PIANOS, ORGANS,

AND ALL KINDS OF MUSICAL Instruments Tuned and repaired by the undersigned. The renovating of Worn Pianos a specialty. Instruments kept in order by contract or otherwise. Terms Moderate. Work Guaranteed.

Orders left at MR. WAITT'S Stationery Store, Government street, will be promptly attended to.

fe14w29 OLIVER H. GOODWIN.

N. MITCHELL & CO.,

NURSERY SEEDSMEN

Florist & Landscape Gardeners,
VICTORIA.

WILL IN A FEW DAYS OPEN THEIR new Seed Store on

GOVERNMENT ST., NEAR THE THEATRE,
With an entirely New Stock of

SEEDS FOR THE FARM & GARDEN.

Their Seeds are of the best English, American and Home Growth and can be confidently recommended. They offer the following New and Superior Varieties of

SEED POTATOES:

Early Rose, Royal Ashleafed,
Suovianke, Early Vermont,
Companion's prize, Brown's Beauty,
With other Varieties to Order.

ALSO—Early Cabbage Plants, Cauliflower Plants (Autumn Snow), Asparagus, Straw-berry Plants, Etc. Fruit Trees, Ornamental Trees and Shrubs

All at Prices that Defy Competition!

SEED STORE, Government St.
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ATLAS FOUNDRY & MACHINE SHOP,

Cor. Pembroke and Government Sts.,

MANUFACTURES ALL KINDS OF

Brass and Iron Castings,
ENGINES,
Saw, Quartz, Agricultural & other Machinery.

A large Assortment of

Parlor Fire Grates.

VENTILATORS, SASH WEIGHTS,
Etc., Etc.,

ALWAYS ON HAND.

JOHN DOUGALL, PROPRIETOR.
Victoria, Feb. 5, 1876. fe24m

SILVER.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED MERCHANTS and Storekeepers, beg respectfully to notify the public that on and after the 1st February, 1877, silver will be accepted by us at the Bank Current Rate of Discount only, which is now 5 per cent.

Hudsons Bay Co.,
W. B. Gray & Co.,
Donny & Spencer,
Turner, Beaton & Tunstall,
Brown & Whitford,
Thos Wilson & Co.,
Chas. E. Telford,
H. Rudolph,
G. W. A. Laing,
W. C. Wolster,
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Ships and Steamers.

BARK LADY LAMPSON.

NEITHER CAPTAIN GAUDIN NOR THE Hudson's Bay Company will be responsible for any debts contracted by the crew of the above vessel. For the Hudson Bay Co. WM. CHARLES.

NOTICE—Bark Lady Lampson.

THE HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY'S BARK Lady Lampson, Capt. Gaudin, from London. This vessel will commence discharging on Saturday morning, the 17th February.

Consignees are requested to call at the Cashier's office of the Company, pay freight and receive orders for their goods.

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WELCH, RITHET & CO.,
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WELCH, RITHET & CO. fe10

Wharf st., Victoria, Feb. 9, 1877.

THE HUDSON BAY CO.'S STEAMER

OTTER,

CAPTAIN McCULLOCH,

Will leave for Fort Wrangell direct on or about

Tuesday, February 27th.

The Purser must be furnished with an invoice of all goods for Cassiar, otherwise they will be detained at Wrangell.

For Particulars as to Freight and Passage, apply on board.

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TO SAIL.

THE FAST AND COMMODIOUS

GRAPPLER.

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Will leave H. Rhodes & Co's Wharf

For Fort Wrangell Direct.

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RHODES' WHARF.

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The Steamer Enterprise

WILL RESUME HER USUAL TRIPS to New Westminster, leaving Victoria at

7:30 a.m. on Friday next. fe26

Amusements.

GRAND

VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL

CONCERT.

The Third

ANNUAL CONCERT

IN AID OF THE

PROTESTANT ORPHANAGE,

Will take place on

WEDNESDAY EVENING, FEB. 28th,

At Theatre Royal.

Part First—Gude's Cantata "The Erl King's Daughter."

Part Second—Vocal and Instrumental.

To conclude with (by special request)

THE CONSPIRATOR'S CHORUS,

(In costume) from the opera of La Fille du Madame Angot.

Doors open at 7:30 p.m.; performance to commence at 8 o'clock.

TICKETS \$1; PIT 50 cents

Reservé Seats 25 cents extra, can be procured at Redfern's Jewellery store, Government st., on Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. fe28

Theatre Royal

Under the Distinguished Patronage of

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First Grand Concert, Thursday Evening,

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MR. FREDERIC LUER, DIRECTOR.

ADMISSION 50 cents and \$1. Reserved Seats 25 cents extra. Boxes \$8 and \$6.

The Box Sheet will be at Hibben & Co's Book and Music Store on the 27th and 28th Feb., and on the day of each concert. fe21

Money Due the following Persons from the U. S.

I WILL THANK ANY PERSON FOR FURNISHING their addresses and will pay postage, &c. if either person is dead, then the address of their Administrator, Attorney or Agents is requested.

The names are:—B. Allen, Chas. Allison, Ruben Blane, Henry Blanche, Michael Copenhagen, Wm. M. Cline, Wm. Clemens, Jeremiah Dillon, Theodore Day, P. N. Emmerson, Simon Farlow, Christian Farlow, John Forman, H. C. Gittiers, A. A. Hayes, Jas. Hamill, Wm. Hite, Henry Hittmann, Geo. Holmes, Wm. King Lear, A. G. Lloyd, L. L. Leureny, David Murray, Saml. J. Oakley, J. B. Post, Geo. Price, Thomas Purcell, Jno. Price, Wm. Parsons, Geo. W. Phillips, B. B. Rogers, Geo. Rogers, Wm. P. Sweeney, George Turner, Jno. W. Thornbury, J. Williams, Henry Willoughby, Moses Well, Wm. White.

For particulars apply to C. M. CARTER, Portland, Oregon, who collects every variety of claim on the Government, including all lost vouchers or suspended demands, &c. fe10w4m

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WELCH, RITHET & CO. fe10

Wharf st., Victoria, Feb. 9, 1877.

SATURDAY MORNING, FEB. 24TH, 1877.

Marine Intelligence.

PORT OF VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

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City Police Court.

(Before Judge Courtney.)

FRIDAY, Feb. 23rd.

Doany, a Hyab Indian, charged with burglariously entering the premises of E. Woods, saloon-keeper, and taking therefrom one case of gin containing 15 quart bottles, together with nine quart bottles; also six pint bottles, value \$20 and upwards, was remanded till Monday next for the further production of evidence.

Jimmy, a Hyab Indian, charged with the same offence, was also remanded.

Jim, a Hyab Indian, arrested on suspicion of being concerned in the above, was discharged, there being no evidence against him.

Arthur Barlow, charged with a murderous assault with an axe on one John Petrie, not appearing in answer to his name being called; bail of \$50 forfeited.

Charley, a Port Rupert Indian, charged with being drunk and incapable, was fined \$1.25 or six hours' imprisonment.

Court adjourned till 10 a.m.

Passengers per Steamship Dakota.

Victoria—H. Morgan, Geo. Clark, J. T. Dwyer, E. Sikes, L. W. Johnson, W. Holroyd, J. Glynn, E. Marvin, Jr., W. C. Savage, S. I. Katz, Miss L. Ashland, C. C. Lane, D. Lundendon, J. W. Quintan, J. S. Howell, D. Allen, F. R. Moore and 53 steerage.

Port Townsend—J. Johnson, Mrs. Konrad and son, S. A. Dall and 6 steerage.

Seattle—G. W. Bennett, wife and 3 children, D. W. Treat, A. A. Koller, R. Mills, D. Bagley and wife, Miss L. Millyn, G. M. Blum and wife and 18 steerage.

Teacoma—D. Magnus, Jas. Stewart, C. Hinson, Capt. Roberts and 2 steerage.

Olympia—Mrs. C. H. Christer, Miss M. Hume and 3 steerage.

Portland—P. Ritz, J. M. Howe and wife, Mr. Payne and wife and 16 steerage.

CANADIANS ORGANIZING. — A considerable number of Canadians, residents of San Francisco, met in the basement of Dashway Hall on the evening of the 19th inst., to form an organization. The meeting was called to order by Donald Robb, who acted as Chairman, and W. J. Gilliland was appointed as Secretary. The Chairman explained the objects of the proposed organization to be to cultivate a friendly regard among Canadians, regardless of Province or party; to establish a bureau for the collection and dissemination of information about lands and labor for their benefit, and for such other purposes as will naturally come within the province of the society. Forty names were attached to the roll of membership. Robert W. Good, R. S. Falconer, T. Kippen, John M. Connolly and Robb were appointed a Committee on Permanent Organization, with power to draw up a constitution and bylaws, to be submitted at next meeting. The assemblage was an earnest and enthusiastic one, and though the majority of those present were apparently strangers, harmony and good-feeling prevailed. The next meeting will be held on the evening of March 5th.

THE AMERICAN CYCLOPEDIA. — This great work just completed by the Appleton's is proving to be the grandest success of the age. The sales, which are made entirely through agents, will reach not less than 100,000 sets, or a total of \$10,000,000. This work is the standard authority upon all subjects and is the epitome and ultimatum of all knowledge. It is worthy of the name of library, and should be in the home of every man of intelligence; and he who possesses and properly uses it will find it a fountain of living water his whole life through. "Specimen pages" of this work will be sent free to all our subscribers who write to the General Agents, James F. White & Co., 728 Montgomery street, San Francisco.

CHARGE OF ASSAULT. — A summons was issued from the Police Court yesterday, at the instance of Mr. Smith of the Standard, against Colonel Houghton. The complainant alleges that the Colonel assaulted him in the Postoffice on Thursday afternoon with a cane. The assault is said to have been caused by the appearance of a paragraph in the Standard of Wednesday which referred in an indelicate way to a lady. The case will come on at 12 o'clock to-day, when it will be seen whether the assault was "unprovoked" or not.

A CASSIAR MAIL. — The country will be indebted to private enterprise for the delivery of a mail at Cassiar before the breaking up of the winter. There has been a sad neglect of Cassiar in the matter of mail service. A district that supports 1400 or 1600 producers and consumers of dutiable goods, not to mention the amounts they contribute to the revenue in direct taxation, is surely entitled to more consideration than it receives at the hands of the Postal authorities.

THE ADDRESS. — Mr. Gordon of Nanaimo will move, and Mr. Milby of Kootenay will second the Address in reply to the Governor's Speech on Monday.

The steamer Enterprise left at 7:30 a.m. yesterday for the Mainland with the mails and a few passengers: Messrs. Purcell, E. Brown, Ingersoll, Robinson.

No English papers came by Dakota; and only a small Canadian mail. There is evidently a lack of attention at the San Francisco postoffice.

The steamer Cariboo Fly left at 7 a.m. yesterday morning with about 15 passengers and the mails.

The Dakota sailed at daylight for Puget Sound.

BLANKBOOK MANUFACTORY AND BOOKBINDER.

Paper ruled to any pattern. Tickets, receipts, etc., numbered and perforated. Charts and maps mounted. The best classes of modern machinery employed. R. T. WILLIAMS, Government street, entrance through Messrs. Hibben & Co.'s store.

RECENT IMPORTATIONS OF SUPERFINE AND FANCY PAPERS, with envelopes to match. Pirie's extra thick vellum antique; Pirie's extra tinted. Pure Irish linen Papers. Bouquet Paper. Assorted tinted Linen, Silver Threads, Ganborough, Brunswick, Peerless, Cunard, and others with their technical distinctions.

T. N. HIBBEN & Co.

WM. HAYNES, Bandmaster Militia, will give instruction in the theory of harmony at schools or residences. Processions, balls, private parties, &c., furnished. Orders left at Mr. R. Smith's, Victoria Bakery, Fort street, will receive prompt attention.

On Libellers.

(Extract from a charge to a Westminster (Eng.) Grand Jury.)

The offence of libelling, gentlemen, is punished by the Common Law, as it tends immediately to quarrels and breaches of the peace, and very often to bloodshed and murder itself.

Mr. Pulton, in the beginning of his treatise de Pace, says of a libeller, "that he is a secret canker, which conceals his name, hideth himself in a corner, and privily stings his neighbor in his fame, reputation and credit; who neither knows from whom nor from what cause he receives his blows, nor hath any means to defend himself." And my Lord Coke, in his 5th Report (125), compares him to a poisoner, who is the meanest, the vilest, and most dangerous of all murderers. Nor can I help repeating to you a most beautiful passage in the great orator Demosthenes, who compares this wretch to a viper, which men ought to crush wherever they find him, without staying till he bite them.

In the second place, if we consider the injury done by these libellers, it must raise the indignation of every honest and good man; for what is this but, as Mr. Pulton says, "a note of infamy, intended to defame the person at whom it is levelled, to tread his honour and estimation in the dust, to extirpate and root out his reputation from the face of the earth, and make him a scorn to his enemies, and to be derided and despised by his neighbors?"

Are We to Have Woolen Mills?

EDITOR COLONIST:—Permit me through the columns of your journal to call the attention of capitalists and commercial men to a subject which is well worth their most attentive consideration; whether it be regarded as a source of profit to themselves or of prosperity to the Province. I refer to the establishment of woolen mills, for utilizing the wool grown in the Province, by converting it into woollen fabrics suitable for the British Columbian markets. I am aware that woolen mills for British Columbia were talked about some few years since, but resulted in nothing, as no mills have as yet been established in this Province; whilst within the last ten years, aye, and even within that period, woolen mills have been established in Oregon for the manufacture of woollen fabrics and these mills are now yielding handsome returns to their proprietors, who had at starting to contend with difficulties greater than any which can possibly stand in the way of a similar undertaking here. Let us look at the matter fairly and honestly; and first, what is the annual consumption of woolen fabrics in this Province? and what do the duties and charges paid on that consumption amount to?

Woolen fabrics, not including ready-made clothing, as passed through the Customhouse, for consumption for the year ending 30th June, 1876, amounted to \$208,695. On this amount 17½ per cent. duty was paid, or \$36,521 and to which amount must be added at least 17½ per cent. more to cover freight, commission and other charges, or \$73,042 on \$208,695, the net amount passed for consumption during the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1876.

By inquiry it has been found that the annual wool product of the Island and Mainland amounts to about 130,000 lbs., which is sent out of the Province to be worked up in foreign markets and returned to us in the manufactured state, loaded with the above duties, charges, etc. How much better would it be for all parties to have our own mills running for the manufacture of our own wool; better for the sheep-raiser—inasmuch as he would have a home market where he could be the salesman of his own produce, and wholly independent of agents or middlemen, and at the same time he would be certain to realize the fair market value for the article. Better, too, for the Province in general, inasmuch as the above amounts paid in the shape of duties, commission, charges, etc., would be retained in the Province and appropriated to its legitimate uses in the payment of wages and the support or fostering of it, and it is to be noted, also, (and this fact, is itself a powerful argument in favour of utilizing by home manufacture the wool product of our own Province,) that sheep disorders incidental to the growth of wool in other countries, are almost, if not wholly unknown here. The stimulus, also, which would be given to the breeding of sheep in order to meet the increasing demand for the raw material is another argument in favor of Provincial woolen mills.

It is most desirable that this subject should be thoroughly ventilated, for there can be no doubt that the prosperity of the Province mainly depends on the energy shown by the people themselves in the wise use which they make of capital and labor. I know that there are gentlemen residing in the city of Victoria and on the Mainland who are at present earnestly directing their attention to this subject, and it is to be hoped that by their combined unity of thought and action such an undertaking will not a second time get the go-by. When this subject was formerly talked about I believe it was proposed to ask the Government for a cash bonus. This, I think, would be quite unnecessary and might prove hurtful instead of proving beneficial. The only Government aid that would be required would be the admittance of the machinery needful for such a mill duty free.

MR. REDFERN'S USEFUL CLOCK faithfully sounds the warning *tempus fugit!* We claim to be more considerate than our esteemed neighbor, who hourly reminds us of this solemn fact, because we only annually remind our friends of the arrival of our usual assortment of *Pocket and Office Diaries*—1877. T. N. HIBBEN & Co. 2m.

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Governor-General's Speech.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate: Gentlemen of the House of Commons:

I am glad to be again enabled to summon you to meet for the despatch of business, at the time which has been considered best suited to the convenience of members.

During the recess I visited the Province of British Columbia, and had much satisfaction in becoming acquainted with the people of that interesting part of the Dominion, and with the climate and resources of that Province.

The surveys of the Pacific Railway have been prosecuted with the utmost vigour and at a larger cost during the past than in any previous year, but it has not been found possible, as yet, to complete the location of the line, and I have consequently been obliged to postpone the inviting of tenders for its construction on the terms indicated by the Act of 1874.

A further correspondence on the subjects at issue between my Government and British Columbia will be laid before you.

During the recent suspension of the Extradition arrangements with the United States I took care that the importance to Canada of a speedy resumption of these arrangements should be represented to Her Majesty's Government, whose attention has been further invited to the expediency of largely extending the provisions of the existing Treaty.

I am glad to be able to state that while the operation of the Treaty has been resumed, negotiations are in progress for a convention more liberal and better suited to the circumstances of the two countries.

The attention of my Government having been directed to some anomalies in the Royal Commission, and Royal Instructions to the Governor-General, particularly with regard to the exercise of the Prerogative of pardon, steps have been taken towards the amendment of these instruments.

Papers on this subject, as well as on the Extradition question, will be laid before you.

The great public works in connection with the St. Lawrence navigation, and the canals required to complete the system, have been prosecuted with success during the past year.

Nearly all the works on the Welland and Lachine Canals have been placed under contract on terms favorable to the country.

The active prosecution of these works during the last three years has necessarily increased the public debt, and though expectations are entertained that the outlay may ultimately be repaid to the country, it may be considered advisable not to press all the works, contemplated in the earlier years of Confederation, to completion at present.

I am happy to state that the Intercolonial Railway was open for traffic, throughout its entire length, early in the summer, with as favorable results as could have been expected.

One of the immediate advantages of the completion of the railway was the delivery and reception of the British mails at Halifax after the closing of the St. Lawrence; and I am happy to say that up to the present time mails and passengers have been successfully carried over the lines without any interruption.

The exhibition of Canadian products, manufactures and works of art at the United States National Exposition at Philadelphia, was eminently successful, and proclaimed to the world that Canada has already taken a high place as a farming, manufacturing and mining country.

It is gratifying to be able to state that the expenditure was kept well within the estimate.

It is but just that I should acknowledge that the success achieved by the enterprise of our people was largely aided by the energy and wisdom of the Commissioners who had charge of the arrangements.

I have considered it advisable in the interest of the country to make arrangements for exhibiting Canadian products at the exhibition to be held at Sydney, New South Wales, for which you will be asked to make provision.

Notwithstanding the loss of revenue, consequent chiefly on the diminution of our importations, the reductions effected during the current year have gone far to restore the equilibrium between income and expenditure, though great economy will be still needful to attain this object.

I regret that I am still unable to announce any progress in obtaining a settlement of the Fishery claims under the Washington Treaty, though my Government has made every effort to secure that result.

My Commissioners have made further Treaty arrangements with certain of the Indian tribes of the North-West Territories, by which their title is extinguished to a very large portion of the territories west of Treaty No. 4; and although some of the provisions of this Treaty are of a somewhat onerous and exceptional character, I have thought it, nevertheless, advisable, on the whole, to ratify it. I have made an engagement to negotiate a Treaty with the remaining tribes east of the Rocky Mountains.

The expenditure incurred by the Indian Treaties is undoubtedly large, but the Canadian policy is, nevertheless, the cheapest, ultimately, if we compare the results with

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